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SUBJECT: GOVERNMENT OF COMORO ISLANDS

REF: ANTANANARIVO 0848

1. DURING HIS CALL ON ME (REFTEL), LE BRET ALSO GAVE ME THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION ABOUT HIS STATUS AND THAT OF THE COMORIAN GOVERNMENT. ALI SOILIH IS AGAIN CHIEF OF STATE, HAVING BEEN NAMED BY ACCLAMATION. HOWEVER, HE IS NOT STRICTLY PRESIDENT, SINCE BEFORE HE CAN RECEIVE THAT TITLE HE WILL HAVE TO BE ELECTED ACCORDING TO THE ADOPTED CONSTITUTION. NOW THAT ALI SOILIH IS AGAIN IN POWER, LE BRET CONSIDERS HIMSELF TO BE HIS PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE, RATHER THAN CHARGE D'EMISSION AS HE WAS WHEN THE COMITE NATIONAL POPULAIRE WAS IN POWER. THE COUNCIL WHICH ADOPTED THE CONSTITUTION ON APRIL 29 CHANGED THE VOTING AGE FROM 14 TO 15*

2. LE BRET ALSO SAID THAT COMORIAN RELATIONS WITH MADAGASCAR CONTINUE TO DETERIORATE. THE MALAGASY AUTHORITIES ARE NOW TLAKING OF MAKING ALL COMORIANS RESIDENT IN MADAGASCAR TAKE OUT FULL FOREIGN RESIDENT PAPERS. THIS WOULD COST THESE GENERALLY POOR INDIVIDUALS A GREAT DEAL OF MONEY AND MIGHT DRIVE MANY OF THEM TO RETURN TO COMORO ISLANDS. BARRETT

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